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## ELECTION UNDER 35 USC §121 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated June 10, 2003 in the above-identified patent application, Applicant hereby elects, for purposes of examination in the subject application, the species of claim 1 drawn to preparing a liquid concentrate comprising one or more plant nutrients; adding the liquid concentrate to at least one organic-base byproducts by spraying; and adding at least one dry soluble plant nutrient. Applicant hereby further elects, for purposes of examination in the subject application, the species of claim 13 drawn to a high quality homogenous slow-release organic-base fertilizer composition comprising one or more plant nutrients and one dry soluble plant nutrient. Applicant further submits that pending claims 1-16 and 18-24 are readable upon the elected invention. This election is made without traverse.

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Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to the additional species that depend from an allowed generic claim. Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication that claims 1-20 are generic.

Please amend the subject application as follows: